

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DIVISION[645]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 147.10 and 147.76, the Board of Podiatry hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 222, “Continuing Education for Podiatrists,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The proposed amendment allows podiatrists to earn continuing education credit for presenting a continuing education course or teaching a college level course that is directly related to the practice of podiatry.

Any interested person may make written comments on the proposed amendment no later than December 17, 2013, addressed to Tony Alden, Professional Licensure Division, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075; e-mail tony.alden@idph.iowa.gov.

A public hearing will be held on December 17, 2013, from 9 to 9:30 a.m. in the Fifth Floor Conference Room 526, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa, at which time persons may present their views either orally or in writing. At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendment.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no adverse impact on jobs exists.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 147.10.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend subrule 222.3(2) as follows:

222.3(2) Specific criteria.

a. Licensees may obtain continuing education hours of credit by teaching in a college, university, or graduate school that is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The licensee may receive credit on a one-time basis for the first offering of a course.

~~*a.*~~ *b.* Continuing education hours of credit may be obtained by completing the following programs/activities of a podiatric scientific nature and sponsored by an accredited college of podiatric medicine or the American Podiatric Medical Association or a regional or state affiliate or nonprofit hospital that are:

(1) Educational activities in which participants and faculty are present at the same time and attendance can be verified. Such activities include lectures, conferences, focused seminars, clinical and practical workshops, simultaneous live satellite broadcasts and teleconferences;

(2) Scientifically oriented material or risk management activities.

~~*b.*~~ *c.* If the podiatrist utilizes conscious sedation, the podiatrist shall obtain a minimum of one hour of continuing education in the area of conscious sedation or other related topics;

~~*c.*~~ *d.* Combined maximum per biennium of 20 hours for the following continuing education source areas shall not exceed:

(1) Presenting professional programs which meet the criteria listed in this subrule. Two hours of credit will be awarded for each hour of presentation. A course schedule or brochure must be maintained for audit.

~~(1)~~ (2) Ten hours of credit for viewing videotaped presentations if the following criteria are met:

1. There is an approved sponsoring group or agency;
2. There is a facilitator or program official present;
3. The program official is not the only attendee; and
4. The program meets all the criteria in 645—222.3(149,272C).

~~(2)~~ (3) Ten hours of credit for computer-assisted instructional courses or programs pertaining to patient care and the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery. These courses and programs must be approved by the American Podiatric Medical Association or its affiliates and have a certificate of completion that includes the following information:

1. Date course/program was completed;
2. Title of course/program;
3. Number of course/program contact hours; and
4. Official signature or verification of course/program sponsor.

~~(3)~~ (4) Five hours of credit for reading journal articles pertaining to patient care and the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery. The licensee must pass a required posttest and be provided with a certificate of completion.

~~d. e.~~ No office management courses will be accepted by the board.

~~e. Rescinded IAB 8/3/05, effective 9/7/05.~~

~~f.~~ Continuing education hours of credit equivalents for academic coursework per biennium are as follows:

1 academic semester hour = 15 continuing education hours

1 academic quarter hour = 10 continuing education hours

g. Credit is given only for actual hours attended.